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Chiral Domains Achieved by Surface Adsorption of Achiral Nickel Tetraphenyl- or Octaethylporphyrin on Smooth and Locally Kinked Au(111), Lieve G. Teugels, L. Gaby Avila-Bront, and S.J. Sibener, *J. Phys. Chem. C* 115, 2826-2834 (2011).

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University of Chicago, Department of Chemistry, Chicago, IL
Trends in Chemical Dynamics: From Small Molecules to Biomolecules, Taiwan
Johns Hopkins University, Department of Chemistry, Baltimore, MD
Fermilab, Meeting on Superconducting RF Materials R&D, Batavia, IL
US - China Partnership Workshop on Heterogeneous Catalysis and Surface Chemistry, Dalian, China
2007 Telluride Workshop on Polymer Physics, Telluride, CO
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Technology Transfer

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Peer-Reviewed Publications and Synopses:**Photochemical Study of the Transport Properties of Gases in Polymer Films,**

A. L. Cisse, E. Grossman, and S. J. Sibener, J. Phys. Chem. B, 112, 7166-7170 (2008).

We describe a general method of finding the transport properties of molecules in polymer films by photolysis. PMMA samples held at different temperatures are exposed to UV radiation at discrete wavelengths and the time-evolution of the volatile photoproducts detected with a quadrupole mass spectrometer. A diffusion model is used to fit the experimental data and deduce diffusion coefficients for the main photoproduct methyl formate. The average value at room temperature was equal to $1.9 \times 10^{-11} \text{ cm}^2 \text{ sec}^{-1}$ at all wavelengths investigated. Together with the values derived at other temperatures, an Arrhenius plot was obtained and the activation energy for methyl formate diffusion within the polymeric thin film calculated from the slope of the graph. We envision that this new method will find application to a variety of problems involving the mass transport of molecules through boundary layers of single or multilayer thin film structures.

Modifying Metal-Polymer Nanostructures Using UV Exposure, Nataliya Yufa, Stephanie Fronk, Seth B. Darling, Ralu Divan, W. Lopes, and S. J. Sibener, Soft Matter, 5, 1683-1686 (2009).

Metals have a variety of behaviors when deposited onto diblock copolymer films, in particular, poly(styrene-*b*-methylmethacrylate). Silver is known to form nanowires, whereas gold forms ellipsoidal nanoparticles of different sizes on each of the blocks, and chromium creates a uniform film on PS-*b*-PMMA. We show that with UV light we can alter the separation between silver nanowires, by making each wire narrower. We also demonstrate the effects of UV light on PS-*b*-PMMA coated with thin layers of gold and chromium, as observed with atomic force microscopy and transmission electron microscopy. We have found that UV exposure increased corrugation of such metal-polymer hybrids by removing PMMA domains, but did not remove metal residing on top

of those domains. The ability to manipulate the morphology of these nanomaterials has potential application in areas such as electronics and sensor technology.

In-Situ High-Temperature Studies of Diblock Copolymer Structural Evolution, Nataliya A. Yufa, Jason Li, and S. J. Sibener, Macromolecules 42, 2667-2671 (2009). We present the results of imaging cylinder-forming poly(styrene-*b*-methylmethacrylate) diblock copolymer at temperatures high enough to show polymer domains evolving. Atomic force microscopy movies of morphological polymer evolution are analyzed to shed light on the formation of domains, as well as the mechanism which drives their subsequent development, such as spatial domain-wall fluctuations.

Diblock Copolymer Healing, Nataliya A. Yufa, Jason Li, and S. J. Sibener, Polymer, 50, 2630-2634 (2009).

The issue of self-healing materials is of paramount importance due to its intrinsic scientific value, as well as potential applications in a wide variety of fields, such as manufacturing, medicine, and electronics. We have investigated the behavior of poly(styrene-*b*-methylmethacrylate) diblock copolymer, following deformation performed by a silicon atomic force microscopy tip. We observed the changes in the polymer as it was subsequently heated *in situ*, and found how diblock “scars” can heal. These observations give important guidance to efforts that seek to create nanostructures using these methods, while also revealing fundamental insights into the mechanisms of polymer repair on the nanoscale.

Sputtering of Ordered Ice I_h Adsorbed on Rh(111) Using Hyperthermal Neutral Ar Atoms, K. D. Gibson, D. R. Killelea and S. J. Sibener, J. Phys. Chem. C, 113, 13325-13330 (2009).

The sputtering of ordered overayers of water physisorbed on Rh(111) by hyperthermal Ar atoms was investigated. For incident kinetic energies of 10 to 20 eV, the impact of the Ar atoms leads to the desorption of intact single water molecules. This sputtering is sensitive to the crystalline structure of the ice overayers with the intensity and energy of the sputtered molecules being dependent upon both the final polar and azimuthal angles. The similarity between the results for one and three layers of water strongly suggests that all of the sputtering originates from the exposed topmost layer. In all cases sputtering yields are small, ~10⁻³, and decreases with increasing film thickness; most of the energy transferred during the collision is dissipated into the lattice. These results suggest that sputtering of surfaces with hyperthermal neutrals might be useful as a noncharging and nonchemically destructive adjunct to ion-induced sputtering and secondary ion mass spectroscopy for compositional depth profiling and trace analysis. Intact neutral molecules are ejected, and the molecules left on the surface have not been altered, which is not the case for ion sputtering.

Hyperthermal Neutral Ar Atom Sputtering of Multilayer Thin Films of p-Xylene Adsorbed on Rh(111), K. D. Gibson and S. J. Sibener, J. Phys. Chem. C, 114, 5547-5550 (2010).

Hyperthermal neutral Ar atoms ($\langle E \rangle$) 12 eV) were used to sputter molecules from thin

films of *p*-xylene adsorbed on Rh(111). This was done for several different film thicknesses, and the energy and intensity of the sputtered *p*-xylene was measured as a function of both the incident angle of the Ar and the ejection angle of the sputtered *p*-xylene. The first layer is not sputtered. For thicker films, up to a coverage equivalent to ~16 layers, molecules are ejected from the surface with a yield of at most 0.05 and a translational energy of under 1 eV. For multilayer films, these results show little, if any, dependence on the film thickness. This atom-based technique is envisaged as an alternative to ion sputtering for depth profiling of organic thin films. Since it involves only low-energy neutral species, charging effects are mitigated. Moreover, the incident neutral inert gas species does not react with the surface nor alter the chemical composition of the film.

Self-assembled monolayer-modified block copolymers for chemical surface nanopatterning, N. A. Yufa, S. L. Fronk, S. J. Rosenthal, S. B. Darling, W. A. Lopes, and S. J. Sibener, Materials Chemistry and Physics, 125, 382-385 (2011).

Thin-film poly(styrene-*b*-methyl methacrylate) diblock copolymer (PS-*b*-PMMA) is used to create chemically patterned surfaces via metal deposition combined with self-assembled monolayers (SAMs) and UV exposure. We use this method to produce surfaces that are chemically striped on the scale of a few tens of nanometers. Atomic force and transmission electron microscopies are used to verify the spatially localized organization of materials, and contact angle measurements confirm the chemical tunability of these scaffolds. These surfaces may be used for arraying nanoscale objects, such as nanoparticles or biological species, or for electronic, magnetic memory or photovoltaic applications.

Determination of the Sticking Coefficient and Scattering Dynamics of Water on Ice Using Molecular Beam Techniques, K.D. Gibson, Daniel R. Killelea, Hanqiu Yuan, James S. Becker and S.J. Sibener, J. Chem. Phys. 134, 034703/1-7 (2011).

The sticking coefficient for D₂O impinging on crystalline D₂O ice was determined for incident translational energies between 0.3 and 0.7 eV and for H₂O on crystalline H₂O ice at 0.3 eV. These experiments were done using directed molecular beams, allowing for precise control of the incident angle and energy. Experiments were also performed to measure the intensity and energy of the scattered molecules as a function of scattering angle. These results show that the sticking coefficient was near unity, slightly increasing with decreasing incident energy. However, even at the lowest incident energy, some D₂O did not stick and was scattered from the ice surface. We observe under these conditions that the sticking probability asymptotically approaches but does not reach unity for water sticking on water ice. We also present evidence that the scattered fraction is consistent with a binary collision; the molecules are scattered promptly. These results are especially relevant for condensation processes occurring under nonequilibrium conditions, such as those found in astrophysical systems.

Chiral Domains Achieved by Surface Adsorption of Achiral Nickel Tetraphenyl- or Octaethylporphyrin on Smooth and Locally Kinked Au(111), Lieve G. Teugels, L. Gaby Avila-Bront, and S.J. Sibener, J. Phys. Chem. C 115, 2826-2834 (2011).

The self-assembly of either nickel tetraphenylporphyrin (NiTPP) or nickel octaethylporphyrin (NiOEP) on a reconstructed Au(111) surface is studied using scanning tunneling microscopy in ultrahigh vacuum. Even though the porphyrins are achiral in the gas phase, they are shown to form racemic chiral domains on the surface. For NiTPP we observe the expected roughly “square” unit cell as well as a new “parallelogram” unit cell. For NiOEP we find a hexagonally packed structure in which alternating rows are rotated 15° with respect to each other. We discuss the forces responsible for the formation of chiral domains and find intermolecular interactions to be the dominant factor in the assembly when the porphyrins are on a flat surface. Moreover, we observe that it is possible to break the formation of racemic domains of NiTPP on Au(111) by using a kinked vicinal surface as a symmetry-breaking template to locally lift the structural equivalence of the racemic surface structures. This study shows that a delicate interplay of intermolecular forces and adsorbate-surface interactions leads to the formation of complex structures and chiral phenomena.

PowerPoint Resources

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